Federal Emergency Management Agency PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Assessment
For: Wayne Township Fire and Rescue
Fire Station Construction Project EMW-2009-FC-00723R
6306 State Route 133, Goshen, Ohio 45122

Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Wayne Township Fire and Rescue - Fire Station Construction Project, EMW-2009-FC-00723R, FEMA Station Construction Grant as part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

Interested persons are hereby notified that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)/Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is proposing to assist in the funding of construction of a new Fire Station located at 6306 State Route 133, Goshen, Ohio 45122. This Fire Station Construction Project. In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 and the implementing regulations of FEMA, an EA is being prepared to assess the potential impacts of each of the proposed alternatives on the human and natural environment. This also provides public notice to invite public comments on the proposed project in accordance with Executive Order 11988, Floodplain Management, and Executive Order 11990, Protection of Wetlands. In addition, this notice and the draft EA provide information to the public on potential impacts to historic and cultural resources from the proposed undertaking, as outlined in the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966.

The draft EA is available for review between March 15, 2009 and April 13, 2009 at the Wayne Township Fire and Rescue Station, 797 Wright Street, Newtonsville, Ohio 45158 during normal hours of operation. The draft EA is also available for review online at the FEMA website http://www.fema.gov/plan/ehp/envdocuments/ea-region5.shtm.

Written comments regarding this environmental action should be received no later than 5 p.m. on April 13, 2009. by Amanda C. Ratliff, Regional Environmental Officer, FEMA, 536 South Clark Street, 6th Floor, Chicago, IL 60605-1521, or at Amanda.Ratliff@dhs.gov.

If no substantive comments are received by the above deadline, the draft EA and associated Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) will become final and be published by FEMA. Substantive comments will be addressed as appropriate in the final documents.

The public may request a copy of the final environmental documents from Amanda C. Ratliff at the address listed above.